

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-11, 19-22 and 26-47 are pending in the application and claims 1-2, 4-6, 8-11, 21-22, 26, 28, 29 and 31 stand rejected. Applicants respectfully maintain their position that all pending claims are allowable but, solely in the interest of passing this case to issue, hereby amend the claims in accordance with the Examiner's kind indication of allowability as to claims 3, 7, 19, 20, 27, 30, 32 and 34-47, and thereby submit that all claims as presently amended are allowable and respectfully urge the Examiner to pass this case to issue.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 08-2025, including the excess independent claim fees due. Furthermore, if this response is not timely filed, the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 08-2025.

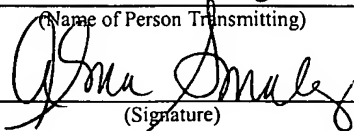
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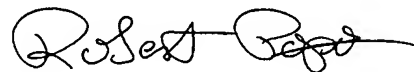


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